

# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

## BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: The uninterrupted supply of liquid petroleum gas to residential, agricultural and

commercial establishments is an essential need of the public during the winter

and any interruption threatens the public welfare; and

WHEREAS: The continued period of cold weather has increased the demand for the above

referenced fuels and threatened uninterrupted delivery to residential, agricultural

and commercial customers; and

WHEREAS: The Federal Motor Carrier Safety regulations, 49 CFR 390, et seq., limit the hours

of operators of commercial motor vehicles may drive; and

WHEREAS: 49 CFR 390.23 allows the Governor of a State to suspend these rules and

regulations for up to 30 days if the Governor determines that an emergency

condition exists.

Now, therefore, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor

OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

**Ordered:** That a State of Emergency is hereby declared for the limited purpose of

suspending the federal rules and regulations that limit the hours operators of commercial vehicles may drive, in order to ensure the uninterrupted supply of liquid petroleum gas throughout Georgia. This emergency justifies a suspension

of Part 395 (drivers' hours of service) of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The suspension shall remain in effect for 7 days or until the emergency condition ceases to exist, whichever is less. Nothing herein shall be construed as an examption from the Commercial Driver's License requirements

construed as an exemption from the Commercial Driver's License requirements in 49 CFR 383, the financial requirements in 49 CFR 387, or applicable federal

size and weight limitations.

#### IT IS FURTHER

**Ordered:** That no motor carrier operating under the terms of this emergency declaration

shall require or allow an ill or fatigued driver to operate a motor vehicle. A driver who notifies a motor carrier that he or she needs immediate rest shall be given at least 10 consecutive hours off-duty before the driver is required to return to

service.

#### IT IS FURTHER

**ORDERED:** 

This Order does not suspend the operation of any state or federal laws or regulations within the State of Georgia except as specifically described in the Order. All other laws and regulations remain in full force and will be enforced.

This Executive Order shall remain in effect until February 14, 2014.

This  $31^{s\tau}$  day of January, 2014.

GOVERNOR